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MEMORANDUM

To: Potential Applicants for Title II, Part A(3) (Higher Education Partnerships for Professional Development)

From: Cheryl L Poole

Re: Pre-Application Session

This is notification of a technical assistance meeting on March 28, 9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. at Ingham ISD, 2630 West Howell Road, Mason, MI, for potential applicants for the next Title II, A (3) funding cycle. This session is designed for any project director or grant writer who intends to apply in this cycle. Institutions of Higher Education are strongly encouraged to send **at least one, and no more than two, representatives** who will be responsible for writing and designing the proposal. There are significant changes in the proposal requirements. Proposals that do not reflect these changes will not be funded.

The deadline for the next round of applications is May 28, 2003.

The purpose of this meeting is to update potential applicants for the change in emphases between the Eisenhower higher education grants and the current Title II, Part A(3). The session will address the following topics.

1. Michigan's share of the federal funding for Title II Part A(3) and the federal priorities for its uses.
2. The focus on professional development that serves the outcome of increased student learning.
3. The emphases on high need schools, active partnerships, and professional development standards.
4. The US Department of Education's definition of research-based professional development.
5. The MDE categories for priorities in funding and the application process.
6. The rubric for developing and evaluating applications.

Please confirm with Elizabeth Mason the attendance of all individuals who intend to attend the March 28 session by email at MasonE@michigan.gov or by telephone 517 241 4945 **no later than Thursday, March 20, 2003**. Please be sure that you receive an email response to verify your RSVP.

Title II, Part A(3) Technical Assistance on 3.28.03.doc

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